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Pursuant to the <u>April 27, 2020 Proclamation of Disaster Emergency</u> issued by Governor Kim Reynolds (currently extended through January 8, 2021), the Board has been granted authority to issue a pharmacist license and defer requirements for a criminal history background check and completion of one or both of the required licensure examinations (NAPLEX and MPJE-Iowa edition) as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Board recently published this <u>Guidance</u> for the issuance of an emergency pharmacist license to a recently graduated pharmacist-intern. The Board provides additional information and guidance in its regularly updated FAQs which can be found on the <u>Board's COVID-19 Information page</u>.

Pharmacists identified on this list have been granted an emergency pharmacist license to practice in Iowa pursuant to the regulatory relief provided by Governor Reynolds.

Following the expiration or termination of the Governor's Proclamation (currently set to expire January 8, 2021), the pharmacists identified herein must successfully complete the deferred components required for licensure (submission of the completed fingerprint packet within 30 days and/or successful completion of the exam(s) within 120 days, as applicable).

A pharmacist who has been issued a pharmacist license pursuant to this authorization may practice pharmacy to the full extent a permanent license would allow. The license status of a pharmacist granted an emergency license will be displayed as "TEMP current/active" when using the <u>Board's License Verification system</u>. As a pharmacist completes the deferred requirement(s), the license status will transition to "current/active." Alternatively, if a pharmacist fails to achieve a passing score on a required exam, the pharmacist's license will be rescinded. This list will be updated periodically and posted to the Board's <u>COVID-19 Information and Updates</u> web page.

Pharmacists whose license status is "TEMP current/active" are not eligible to apply for the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy's (NABP) Passport Program or License Transfer Program.

TEMP current/active Iowa Pharmacists:

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